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In an address before the National Conference of State Leaders of Home Demonstration Work in Northern and Western States, Mr. E. Merritt has somewhat to say on the old and new subject of Farm Women. At that time,

"Mr. Merritt pointed out the important place of the farm woman in our national life and economy, and the urgent need of their efforts in aiding the country in meeting our war demands. He pointed out that from the beginning women have been closely associated with agriculture and still have an important part in connection with certain phases, such as the garden, orchard, poultry, etc. He also pointed out that the status of country life is determined by the position of women in the system of agriculture practiced in the community.

"At the present time where women are most extensively employed in agriculture they are employed in the most menial farm task. To improve her position, her farm work should be so arranged that she can control the products of her labor and thereby gain control over the profits and improve her social and economic condition."

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COUNTY AGENT AND HOME DEMONSTRATION MEETINGS ETC. COLLEGE SHORT COURSES AND FAIRS.

ALABAMA

August 11th to 16th is the tentative date for the Short Course to be held at Auburn. *Final date received for Short Course, August 2nd + 9th.*

Justin Fair, editor of the Alabama paper "Farm Facts" has been appointed delegate at large to the world's great Cotton Conference to be held at New Orleans October 13th to 16th.

The Alabama State Fair will be held at Birmingham October 6th to 11th. A premium list of \$1,000 will be offered. Two hundred pure bred s will be exhibited at this fair and there will also be a pig club exhibition.

A boys' encampment of 100 to 135 boys will be held at the time of the State Fair and a judging contest will be held to select boys to go to Chicago for the non collegiate judging contest, Nov. 27th to Dec. 6.

ARKANSAS.

The Boys' and Girls' Short Courses for the Northern district will be held at Russellville July 28th to August 1st; and at Magnolia from August 4th to 9th. The Southeast district courses will be held at Monticello from August 11th to 15th. The Northeast district courses will be held at Jonesboro from August 18th to 22nd.

An Agricultural Fair and Exposition will be held at Fort Smith September 29th to October 4th.

The State fair is to be held at Hot Springs, but no date is given.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

The states of Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina and Texas will conduct cotton investigations as to cost of production. The state experiment stations have named three representative areas in each of the above named states. In cooperation in this work are Professor John Fain of Georgia, Dr. J. F. Duggar of Alabama, Prof. H. M. Elliott of Texas and Prof. H. W. Barre of South Carolina.

Hearings of proposed rules and regulations for grain warehouses under the U. S. Warehouse act will be held in fifteen cities from June 9th to July 5th, with final hearings at Washington, D. C. on July 10th in at 358 B St., S. W., at 10a.

The National Grange Headquarters are now established in Washington, the office is in charge of Thomas C. Atkeson, former Dean of the W. Va. State College of Agriculture and former Chairman of the Executive Committee of the National Grange. A. M. Loomis, his assistant is located in the Fireman's Building, Seventh St., and Louisiana avenue, N. W.

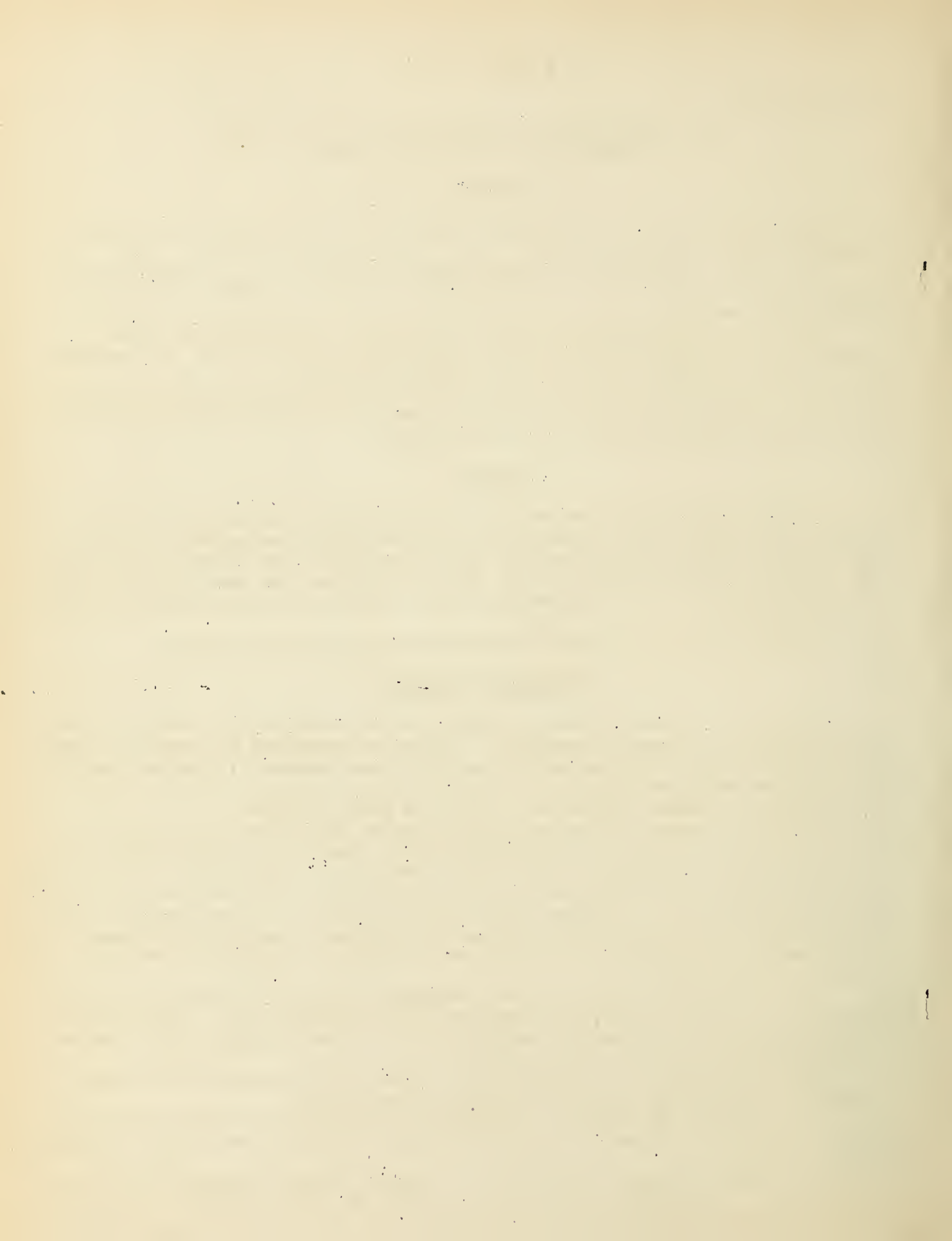
It is well to state that the 20th Anniversary of the International Livestock Exposition will meet in Chicago on November 27th to December 6th. Among the new features staged is a Nation-wide non-collegiate livestock judging contest composed of champion teams from the various states.

Since good roads are extending into all parts of the country motor trucks are coming into general use with the rice farmers and millers.

After July 1st no interstate shipment of cattle will be allowed unless they have been examined and passed the tuberculin test. This will be a great safe guard for the South.

The Finance Committee of the Bureau of Public safety is composed of the following members: M. D. Arnold, Chairman, O. M. Tate, Dr. H. A. Morgan, G. L. Price, R. S. Hazen, Jesse Thomas and C. W. Henderson.

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Dr. C. H. Eckles has assumed his duties as head of the Dairy Husbandry Division in the University of Minnesota Department of Agriculture.

Dr. L. C. Gray formerly professor of Rural Economics in the George Peabody College for Teachers has been appointed as economist in charge of the division of Land Economics. His division will deal with land resources, utilization, values and policies.

FLORIDA

Miss Ellen Harris has appointed Miss May Morse a dairy specialist to supervise the organizing of milk clubs by the Home Demonstration agents. Men, women, and girls can become members. The contest was opened in April and will close on November 1st, 1919. An exhibit will be made at the state fair to qualify for prize. Mr. T. C. Groover of Jacksonville claims to have originated the Milk club movement.

GEORGIA.

The summer school will be held at Athens from July 1st to some time in August.

The State college will hold summer courses in its Nature Study Camp at Nacooche, located in the Blue Ridge mountains beginning on July 18 and continuing for one month.

The Southeastern Fair Association will be held at Atlanta from October 13th to 18th. R. M. Stripling, Secretary.

The State Fair will be held at Macon on October 22nd to 31st.

The Georgia-Florida Fair will be held at Valdosta on November 3rd to 8th.

The Georgia State Horticultural Society will meet at Cornelia Aug. 30 + 2

KENTUCKY

A meeting of the Livestock Sheep Association will be held at Lexington on August 13th. L. B. Shropshire, Sec'y.

"Better Egg Meetings" for demonstrating candling and handling eggs are being held through the month in the state. A full list of places and dates of meetings will be furnished to any one desiring to attend the demonstrations.

The Kentucky Fair will be held at Louisville on September 8th to 13th.

LOUISIANA.

The Farmers' Short Course, now known as the Farmers' Week will be held at Louisiana University on July 31st to August 9th. Instructions in the use of the farm tractors will be an interesting feature of this Farmers' Week.

A series of livestock meetings and livestock sales will be held at Baton Rouge by several livestock associations on August 6th to 9th. The important question taken up will be the reorganization of the Louisiana Livestock Association which held its first annual meeting in connection with the Southern Cattle-men's Association at Shreveport in 1916.

The Boys' and Girls' Sixth Annual Short Course will be held at the University at Baton Rouge from August 11th to 16th inclusive.

The Annual Meeting of the Farm Demonstration agents will be held at the same time at the University and the men and women agents will attend the boys' and girls' meeting and be in charge of the boys and girls from their respective parishes.

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LOUISIANA (Cont'd)

Dr. Bradford Knapp is especially requested to be present at the State University and make an address during these meetings.

Dr. Bradford Knapp has been appointed on the Committee on Stabilizing Production and Prices at the World's Cotton Conference to be held in New Orleans on October 13th, 14th, 15th and 16th. He will make an important and instructive address at this meeting. Mr. R. MacCol is head of the Committee on arrangements.

The Monthly Pig Club contests are great incentives to the boys of this state. The September contest promises to be of great interest. A school for threshermen will be held at Crowley from June 24th to 27th, inclusive.

J. S. Wanamaker, President of the American Cotton Association has called a meeting of the board of directors to be held on July 1st, at the Grunewald Hotel in New Orleans.

A six week's course at the Louisiana State University will be held for the Home Demonstration Work beginning June 17th and continuing to July 30th.

The Poultry exhibit in Terrebonne parish will create much notice in this section, the exact date in October is not yet known.

The Louisiana State Fair will be held at Shreveport from October 22nd to 27th. W. R. Hirsh, Secretary.

The Annual Farmers' League will be held at Gibsland on July 15th.

MARYLAND

Joint meetings of the Maryland Agricultural society and the Farmers' National Congress will be held at Hagerstown during the week of October 27th to November 1st. These meetings will be under the auspices of the Washington county Agricultural Association. A Wool exhibition for the purpose of demonstrating the quality of Maryland fleeces will be held in connection with these meetings.

MISSISSIPPI.

The County Agents short course will be held at the A. & M. College on July 23rd to 29th.

Dr. Bradford Knapp will make an address at this Annual meeting of the County Agents on the morning of July 23rd.

An Agents Meeting's Club day will be held at the A. & M. College on July 25th.

The Annual Short Course for Farm Women and Girls will be held at the A. & M. College from August 6th to 15th. At this meeting Prof. Martin is requested to make an address and help in the daily discussions, Miss Powell will give lessons on meat canning and jelly making, Miss Keown lessons on clothing and textiles, and Mr. Lacy and Dr. Mulford will demonstrate house planning and improvements of the home grounds. A desire is also expressed to have a demonstration on brining and vinegar making.

The Junior Farm Mechanics Short Course will be held at the A. & M. College on August 18th to 27th. This is a great feature of the regular Club Short Course.

In several counties in Mississippi the County Agents have organized a County Cooperative Farmers' Shipping Association or Exchange. A Board of Advisors meets once a month, and "One per cent of the proceeds of livestock shipped and two per cent of other products are set aside in the local bank to constitute the Cooperative Insurance Emergency and Operative fund."

The date for the State Fair at Jackson is on October 20th to 25th. Miss Mabel L. Stires, Secretary.

The Mississippi-Alabama Fair will be held at Meridian on September 29th to October 4th. A. H. George, Secretary.

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NORTH CAROLINA.

The American Home Economics Association held a National Conference at Blue Ridge from June 25th to 28th.

Dr. Bradford Knapp held a State Agents' Meeting at the same time and place.

At the Blue Ridge meeting Dr. Knapp delivered an important address on the morning of June 26th and also during the general meeting. The subjects of these addresses were given in the June 2nd issue of "First Aid."

The Farmers' District meeting was held at Oxford from June 25th to 27th.

A special three weeks course for teachers in the service begins July 7th and extends through July 23rd and is followed by a conference of agricultural workers on July 24th and 25th.

During the summer school session at the University of the state a conference will be held for the social workers from July 13th to 20th.

For a week beginning July 28th and ending August 2nd a Tri-County encampment for boys and girls will be held at Murfreesboro in Hertford county.

A Short Course will be held at West Raleigh on August 19th to 22nd.

Dr. Bradford Knapp is requested to make an address at the annual meeting of the Live stock Association held at Tarboro on August 14th.

On July 24th, 25th and 26th Jacksonville will have a three days Club encampment. Mr. Hill is included in the program.

A County Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs has been organized in Mecklenburg county to meet the 4th Saturday of each month. Professor O. B. Martin is urged to address the women workers at one of these meetings. Notice will be given of the date of his address later in the season.

A Farmers' and Farm Women's Convention will be held at West Raleigh on August 27th to 29th.

The State Board of Agriculture has elected Mr. O. J. McConnell as State Warehouse commissioner.

A plan will soon be working in North Carolina which will give deserving young men a chance to enter the state college each fall and take a four year course.

The 58th State Fair will be held at Raleigh from October 20th to 25th.

OKLAHOMA

The Annual Farmers' Congress will meet at Stillwater on August 24th to 30th.

At the Stillwater Meeting Dr. Bradford Knapp is requested to make an address on "Organization Work" and "State Farm Council Organization" respectively.

The Oklahoma State Fair and Exposition will be held at Oklahoma City on Sept. 20th to 27th. S. L. Mahan and R. T. Hemphill, Mngrs.

The Oklahoma Free Fair will be held at Muskogee on September 29th to October 4th. Ethel Murray Simonds, Secretary.

The "Home Ownership Act" recently passed by the Okla. legislature will cause rejoicing through the South. This is a fund to be loaned farmers for purchasing homes.

SOUTH CAROLINA

The State Agricultural and Mechanical Society will be held at Columbia, on October 27th to 31st.

A Club Short Course will be held at Clemson College from July 7th to 18th.

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TENNESSEE

The second special short course will be held for training the Home Demonstration agents at Peabody College, Nashville on July 22nd to August 22nd.

A short course will be held at Trenton, Gibson County from July 15th to 19th. Professor O. B. Martin is requested to attend.

"The first successful cow-testing association south of the Ohio river and Maryland was organized in Jefferson county in December, 1915."

The third annual Fat Cattle Show will be held at Nashville on December 10th and 11th. \$2,500 is being offered in cash premiums.

The Chattanooga Interstate Fair, the new name for the exposition at Chattanooga which has been for the past four years a district fair, will be held on September 29th to October 4th. Joseph B. Curtis, Manager.

The State Fair at Nashville is to be held on September 15th to 20th. J. W. Russwurm, Manager.

The East Tennessee Division Fair will be held at Knoxville on October 6th to 12th.

The Memphis Tri-State Fair will be held at Memphis on September 20th to 27th.

TEXAS

The 10th Annual Farmers' Short Courses will be held at the A. & M. College on July 21st to 26th, inclusive.

The Fourth Annual Short Course for Girls and Women will be held at the A. & M. College on August 6th to 15th inclusive. It promises to have a wonderful attendance. Each county Home Demonstration Agent will send one or more prize winning girls and most of the counties are preparing to send a large delegation of women and girls, mainly club members. Railroads make no reduced rates for these meetings.

A combined Farmers' meeting will be held at Kaufman on July 12th to 14th. Professor Martin will make a tour of Texas in July and has been requested to make an address at this meeting.

The 22nd annual session of the Farmers' Congress will be held at the A. & M. College on July 17th, 18th and 19th.

Twenty-four cotton classing offices will be placed in the following towns of Texas: Dallas, Houston, Austwell, Tivoli, Ballinger, Bay City, Beeville, Ennis, Georgetown, Granger, Hillsboro, Honey Grove, Marlin, Marshall, Navasota, Port Lavaca, Round Rock, Sinton, Taylor, Tyler, Vernon, Waco, Weatherford and two offices in Cameron & Hidalgo Counties.

The A. & M. College offers a summer course for returned soldiers, sailors and marines beginning on June 25th and ending on August 2nd. Colonel Clarence Ousley, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture will resume his position as director of the A. & M. College, extension service, on July 1st.

The Texas State Fair will be held at Dallas on October 6th to 19th.

The Texas Cotton Palace will be held at Waco on October 25th to November 9th.

VIRGINIA.

The State Short Course will be held at Blacksburg on August 4th to 9th.

Northern and Eastern Virginia will hold their District Short Course at the Normal school in Harrisonburg from July 26th to August 2nd.

Southeastern Va. will hold her District Short Course at the Normal school at Farmville on June 30th to July 5th.

Hanover will hold a county short course from June 24th to 26th.

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Short Courses for the different counties will be held as follows: "For Nansemond Isle of Wight and Norfolk on July 7th to 12th at Drivers; for Orange on July 8th to 10th at Gordonsville; for Bedford, Amherst, Appomattox and Campbell on July 14th to 18th at Sweet Briar College; Albemarle on July 17th, Pittsylvania on July 23rd to 26th at Averett College; Augusta July 29th, August 1st camping; Fauquier on August 5th to 7th; Prince William and Fairfax in August at Manassas."

A Club Convention will be held at Danville on July 24th, 25th and 26th.

The State Farmers' Institute will be held at Blacksburg on August 13th to 15th. The County Agents will also hold their meeting at the same time continuing throughout the week.

The Farmers' Annual Conference will be held at Hampton on August 5th to 9th inclusive. An intensive course in Poultry will be a great feature.

A Colored farmers' Conference will be held at Buckingham C. H. on July 11th, at 11 a. m.

The resignation of Mr. Jesse M. Jones as Director of Extension in Virginia causes deep regret to all who have the welfare of their state at heart. As head of the Department of Agricultural and Industrial Development of the Seaboard Air Line Railway a new and wide field is opened to him and his many friends wish him every success in this important and progressive position.

The Virginia State Fair will be held at Richmond on October 6th to 11th.

The Southside Virginia Agricultural and Industrial Exposition will be held at Petersburg on October 14th to 18th.

The Warrenton Horse Show will be held at Warrenton, in Fauquier county on August 20th and 21st.

WEST VIRGINIA

The Monthly Extension Conferences will be held at Morgantown on July 14th and August 18th.

The Randolph County Club Encampment will be held at Elkins on August 25th to 30th.

The West Virginia State Fair will be held at Wheeling on September 1st to 5th.
